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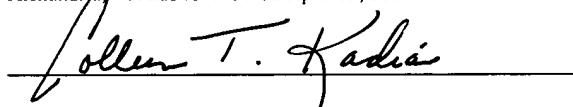
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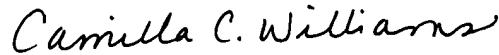
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Applicants appeal the decision of Examiner Frank finally rejecting the claims in the above-identified application by the final Office Action dated November 17, 2003.

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